Remarks

In the present response, two claims (10 and 18) are amended. Claims 1-18 are presented for examination.

Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to enter these amendments under 37 CFR 1.116 since such amendments simply comply with a requirement of form (b)(1) or present the rejected claims in better form for appeal (b)(2). No other amendments are presented.

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